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September 25, 1996

TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Lynn Kunzler, Reclamation Specialist

RE:

Site Inspection, Utelite Corporation, Utelite Mine, M/043/004, Summit County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

August 21, 1996

Time of Inspection:

8:00 a.m.

Conditions: Participants:

Clear, sunny
Carston Mortensen, Utelite; Lynn Kunzler, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To document current site conditions

The last inspection that had been performed at this site was July 8, 1992 by Tony Gallegos of the Division staff. This inspection began by going up along the south side where they are continuing to fill in the pond. There is very little of the pond left. This will give them better stability where they dump their overburden and shale that they can't use as product over the site. This material has been vegetated in the past and vegetation does seem to be progressing quite well. Although, there are some areas where thistle seems to be a problem. There was one small blow out that was observed on this slope. This is part of the reason for increasing the base to get better stability.

We then drove up onto the upper pad where we could examine it and also look to the pit to the west. Mr. Mortensen indicated that they have 1-2 years of mining left in that area before they will be moving the actual pad down. They are also looking at the potential of selling some of the overburden at the far west end to the county as road base material. Within the next couple of the years they will be moving deeper, and into some of the other previously disturbed areas to the south of the landfill. This is marked on their map as a pre-law area to be mined. They have changed the surface facilities slightly. They are adding another feeder.

Mr. Mortensen indicated that it would be a couple of years before they start expanding the area where they are now working. We talked briefly about the progress and as they finish up with areas they need to do contemporaneous reclamation. It will be a few years before they complete any areas where they could do this.

It appears that from the photos that were in the file from the last inspection, the only change is the pits are a little deeper.

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